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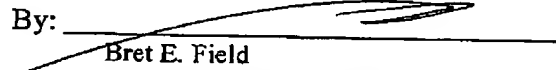
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A **Notice of Appeal** was filed with the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on **July 26, 2004** in the above-identified application. Since over **9 months** have passed and no communication has been received from the Patent and Trademark Office in response thereto, applicants respectfully request to be informed of the current status of this application.

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